

Part of the inherent benefits of living in America and being an American citizen is the ability for freedom of choice. As a consumer, I love XM radio and value the options that it provides me. It does not take away from my patronage of other radio and television providers, but enhances them.

I commute to work 110 miles per day; I count on XM radio traffic and weather information to be safe and secure in my daily commute. I cannot receive Orlando traffic, without static and interruption, without XM radio. When I tune to local radio, it may not have the traffic update for another 15 minutes, well past the point when I need to make a decision about which road or freeway is the best possible route to work. My time is precious to me. I'd much rather spend the time with family and friends, rather than to extend my arduous commute because I am not adequately informed in time to make a decision. If my commute is longer, I am spending more money on gas, which decreases my disposable income, which is bad for the American economy.

The role of the Media Bureau of the FCC is, according to your website, located at [www.fcc.gov/mb](http://www.fcc.gov/mb), "The Media Bureau develops, recommends and administers the policy and licensing programs relating to electronic media, including cable television, broadcast television, and radio in the United States and its territories. The Media Bureau also handles post-licensing matters regarding Direct Broadcast Satellite service."

The American economic system is based on the principals of government keeping out of business and competition driving better prices for the consumer. My tax dollars pay for the FCC to exist. It is in my personal best interest, and that of the country, for the FCC to use my tax dollars to focus on the monopolies and abuses by the cellular phone industry, rather than to chase and waste citizen tax funded budget on satellite radio.